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22 January 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Luncheon for Senator Joseph S. Clark (D., Pa.)

1. Senator Clark visited the Agency for luncheon today. Present from the Agency were the Director, Messrs. Lloyd, Carey, [redacted] Fitzgerald, Stewart and [redacted] Senator Clark traveled in the Far East area this past fall. He happened to meet Mr. Fitzgerald in the course of his travels and also received briefings from [redacted] [redacted] representative in [redacted]

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2. The Director and Senator Clark chatted briefly before the luncheon. Senator Clark raised the subject of Secretary Gates' statements to the press and before Congressional Committees to the effect that there had been a change in intelligence estimates with respect to the Soviet's missile capability and intent. Senator Clark said he knew Secretary Gates and said he thought the Secretary's statement was unfortunate insofar as the intelligence people were concerned. The Director went into some detail in explaining to Senator Clark that because of better intelligence we were able to come up with better estimates not only as to the Soviet's capabilities but as to their intentions to develop these capabilities.

3. The conversation at lunch was primarily concerned with Senator Clark's travel, which was of no particular interest from an intelligence standpoint, and other general matters. Following the luncheon, the group adjourned to the Director's office where the Senator and the Director again discussed missiles and space programs, the subject of disarmament and related topics. Senator Clark mentioned a conversation he had this morning with Senator Hiram Fong (R. Hawaii) concerning a volcanic eruption in one of the Pacific islands and how this showed up on seismographs. Mr. Dulles was interested in this point and attempted to get a reading on it from Dr. Scoville but was unable to get a call through before the Senator's departure. The Senator was anxious to return to the Senate in view of an impending roll-call vote.

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4. On the way back to the Hill, I chatted with Senator Clark about activities on two of his Committees, Post Office and Civil Service and the Labor and Public Welfare Subcommittee on the Aged and Aging. The Senator said he did not believe there would be any significant legislation before the Post Office and Civil Service Committee this year. He mentioned in passing, however, that he had been trying to get out of the Committee a bill which he has been pushing for three years to take the appointment of federal employees out of the Civil Service Commission and place it directly under the President and his White House staff leaving the Civil Service Commission to rule on matters of appeals, grievances, etc. Our interest in H. R. 7758, the overseas allowances and differentials bill, was mentioned to the Senator. He indicated that he was in favor of anything of this sort which would help CIA and other agencies. (This bill was passed by the House in the first session of the 86th Congress and is now pending in the Senate Committee.) Senator Clark said he thought this bill would go through the Committee without difficulty and I am sure that if we need any assistance on this, he will be glad to help. Senator Clark mentioned that he had been reviewing a draft report by the Subcommittee on the Aged and Aging but made no comment as to its content. (Mr. Houston is interested in this report in his capacity as Chairman of the Agency Retirement Board.)

5. The visit seemed to go quite well and Senator Clark thanked us for having him over.

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